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GUEST SPEAKER FOR OCTOBER 4TH SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING - "WEEDON ISLAND - IT'S NOT JUST FOR KAYAKING"

ARTICLE: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: WILLIAM FEHRING

Plan to attend our **Wed.**, **OCTOBER 4TH** SHBC meeting at **6:15 pm** where we are returning to the Safety Harbor Library. Our guest speaker will be WILLIAM FEHRING, who will give a presentation on the Weedon Island.

Plan to attend our SHBC Monthly Meeting on Wednesday



6:15PM

AT THE SAFETY HARBOR LIBRARY

On "WEEDON ISLAND - IT'S NOT JUST FOR KAYAKING"



WILLIAM K. FEHRING was originally from Bayshore N.Y. WILLIAM received his B.A. from **Wesleyan University**, Middletown, Conn. and his **Ph.D. Cornell University**, Ithaca NY

He worked at **Mote Marine Laboratory** in 1971 and at **Sarasota County Environmental Department** 1972-1974, then he was **Tampa Port Authority Director of Environmental Affairs** 1974-1985, next he worked at Greiner Engineering, then URS & AECOM Corporations 1985-2020 Major Projects: Tampa Harbor Deepening, Sunshine Skyway Bridge, Hong Kong International Airport, Port of Charleston Daniel Island, Terminal Port of Houston, Bayport Terminal, San Francisco Airport Expansion, Sacramento Airport Expansion, Mammoth Yosemite Airport Expansion, Specialty: Environmental Impact Analysis, Environmental Mitigation

Bill's Hobbies include Photography, Flying, Kayaking, Hiking, Biking, Travel Weedon Island, where he has volunteered since 2011. Bill provides Photography and Ecology Hikes, Guides canoe trips for veterans from Bay Pines. He's also been Member of the Friends of Weedon Island since 2012 and is currently President of the Friends of Weedon Island.

RECAP: GUEST SPEAKER ON THE SEPT. 6TH SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING - "DOING RESEARCH ON A 200' SCHOONER AND A 400' RESEARCH VESSEL"

By Ellen Henderson



Our guest speaker was **MAGGIE BARTRAM**, who was recruited by our Commodore Joan Marzi after the club had hired **Maggie's Cafe** to be the caterer for the Club March St. Patty's Day Party. **Maggie** gave a presentation on: **"DOING MARINE RESEARCH ON A 200' SCHOONER AND A 400' RESEARCH VESSEL"** on Wed., SEPT. 6TH SHBC meeting at 6:30 pm at a different venue, **Maggie's Cafe and Smoothies** – right next to the Chop Shop. There was free parking behind the strip of stores & restaurants. Members and guests either

parked on Main St. or entered the parking lot (which is on a one way lane) from going South on 5th Ave. from Main Street.



SHBC OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BY ELLEN HENDERSON



Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays and Anniversaries fall in the Month of **OCTOBER**. It's a popular month for Club Members' Birthdays.

Having fun out West.

By John Viverito

Apparently, John decided to give himself a vacation for a birthday present.



Happy birthday John, and hold onto those rocks next to you!

Rescued Dock Box

By Kim Brenden-Price



With the flooding from Idalia at the marina, and water being over a foot deep over the docks, we almost lost our dock box.

John Viverito noticed that the box had been washed off the dock and was lying in the water among the mangrove trees. He notified the other officers, and after talking with Joan, I drove over to check on the situation.

I found the dock box almost fully submerged in the water with one marker tangled up in the



mangrove trees and another floating next to the box. Other items were still in the bottom of the box.



I borrowed a boat hook from club member Paul Mathews, who was at the marina working on his boat, and started fishing the flags, marker, ropes, and anchors out of the box hoping to be able to lift it out of the water. The white marker was stuck inside the box, bound by the box lid that was twisted sideways and one other anchor was stuck below that.

Paul came over to help and between the two of us we were able to get the white marker out by cutting the straps that attached the lid to the box and lift the box out of the water. Unfortunately, the anchor that was still in the bottom fell out into the water while we were lifting it, and the box was in bad shape and potentially a total loss. After standing it up to drain we set it back in its spot and loaded the recovered items back in it and laid the top over them for the night.



Joan, Ron Carew, and I came back the next day to see if we could salvage the box. Thanks to our combined DIY and MacGyver-like skills and Ron's tools, we were able to re-secure the base and the sides together, figure out how to secure the box back to the dock, and reattach the lid to have a functional dock box once again!



We took a minute to re-secure the planks at the end of the dock and found a boat hook that we could use and retrieve the last anchor out of the water! Overall, we only lost one race marker to the storm!

TEAMWORK!!

HURRICANE "IDALIA" - AUGUST 2023

Curated by Ellen Henderson; Pix: Internet

Cumulative Wind History

Per Brian Garry in Tampa: Yes, we were affected by HURRICANE "IDALIA". Water came over our docks, sea walls, halfway up into our yards. We lost 24 planks on our dock. Took 3 days of cleanup, retrieval, repair, etc. Have three quotes, for a new Sea Wall, higher Cap, and repair, replace current dock. Our Boat was anchored, and Spring lined, in the center of our Canal... she rode the storm like a "Hobby Horse" all night. We had 50 mph. winds plus, Storm Surge. Water was in the streets, but minor yard debris and Wild Irish Rose was solid as a rock. Just another Soft Kiss, from Mother Nature.



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Per Joan Marzi: Our SHBC Dock Box in the Safety Harbor Marina got swept off the dock into the watery mangroves. Club Members resurrected the Dock Box; however, one racing mark and its anchor went missing.

Per John Viverito: No damage or problems at my house. Just a lot of tree debris. We stayed at my mother-in-law's one night, no problems there and my place had about 1 Hr. of power out. No boats were harmed in the marina. One of the slip renters said the water came up to the second rail of the fence at the quay wall. Pegasus came through great; the only issue is the eastern cleat (starboard) loosened.

Per Mikey Hembrey in Safety Harbor: My neighborhood had some leaf and limb debris scattered about. My yard had only one small limb and some Spanish Moss in the front. My Ham Radio antennas were not affected at all. The power flickered maybe a dozen times, but was never off long enough to kill the microwave clock. At my house, it was basically a non-event.

Per a Safety Harbor Resident: The storm surge at the Safety Harbor Marina was calf high and the water crossed Bayshore Blvd. and was up to the garage doors of the smaller houses across the street.

Per Judy Clark near Waycross GA: The hurricane kept me out of power for a little over a day but other than that I didn't have actual damage.

Per Ann Martin in Myrtle Beach, SC: I had a total of 13 inches in my rain gauge. Had a few tree limbs down, but nothing major.

Per John Herrick in South Pasadena: September is here already. I spent September 1st cleaning up from the Hurricane Idalia, I found a chair out in the bay and took it to Ann, and cleaned plastic out of the mangroves. I found one of the kayaks on the port side of Lady Pearl had come off and was half sunk. I got it back on deck. September 2 was back to normal.

SEPT 13, 2023 - SHBC RACE OF THE NEWLY DREDGED CHANNEL

By: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: INTERNET; RACECOURSE PLOT: MARC BERGER

Since the City of Safety Harbor finally finished dredging the SH Marina Channel and after many races that were canceled since our last race, mother nature smiled on SHBC. Fortunately, we were able to race on WED. SEPT.13 2023. Winds started and moved from the N-N/W- (285-240 Degrees) @ 8 -10 kts with puffs to 12 kts. John Viverito did double duty as Race Committee Boat and competitor. The 5 min warning was at 6:20:00 pm and the race started at 6:25:00 pm. The fleet anticipated a windward start, but instead we went on a starboard reach due to a 45-degree wind shift.

The stalwart crews of "*WANDERLUST*" and "*STARWIND*" joined "*PEGASUS*" out on the course. *WANDERLUST*'s owner Roof Douglas had his regular crew of Steve plus ringer racer Cam Carlin.

"*WANDERLUST*" was **1st** over the start line, and they led the fleet throughout the race.

"*STARWIND*" with Skipper Mark Kanuck and his enthusiastic crew: always dedicated Jack Box and new crew member Kim Brenden-Price were **2nd** over the start line, followed by John Viverito's "*PEGASUS*" with long-term crew Ellen Henderson and pick-up crew Marc Berger.

During the start "*PEGASUS*'s" heading was 195 degrees, but by 6:27 pm the wind backed, resulting in a 170-degree heading. By 6:33 pm we eased our Main and Jib and headed up slightly to 180 degrees to catch up with the fleet ahead and to possibly pass them to windward.

"*STARWIND*" sat on "*WANDERLUST*" from behind, but "*WANDERLUST*" finally broke the overlap. Meanwhile, "*PEGASUS*" with another wind shift, was on a new heading of 195 degrees, started sailing faster than the fleet, by going slightly upwind and started to overtake "*STARWIND*". By 6:50 pm "*PEGASUS*" went wing-on-wing with a new heading of 130 degrees.

At 6:51 pm "*WANDERLUST*" rounded the "White/South" Mark, taking it to Port, followed quickly by "*STARWIND*" and "*PEGASUS*" at 6:52 pm.

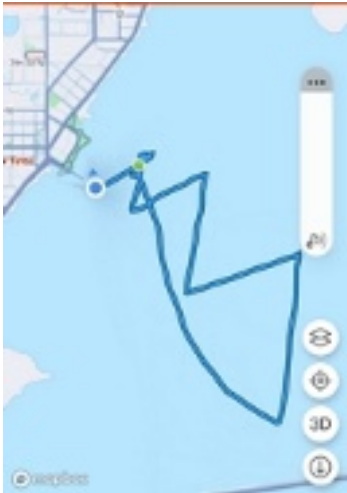
At 6:55 pm "*PEGASUS*" began passing "*STARWIND*" and by 7:00 pm with a heading of 005 degrees, also was catching up with "*WANDERLUST*". At 7:01 pm "*WANDERLUST*" tacked onto Starboard. By 7:03 pm "*PEGASUS*" also tacked onto Starboard (Stay with the Competition). Our Boat speed range was from 4.5 - 4.8 kts with a new heading of 265 degrees. At 7:04 pm "*STARWIND*" finally tacked onto Starboard.

Four minutes later at 7:08 pm, because of a substantial header, "WANDERLUST" tacked onto port followed by "PEGASUS" at 7:10 pm. "PEGASUS" proceeded to cross tacks with "STARWIND" and was now 6 boat-lengths ahead of them. "PEGASUS" was also gaining on "WANDERLUST".

By 7:15 pm we experienced a big header (20 degrees) and "WANDERLUST" tacked onto Starboard and was only two minutes ahead of "PEGASUS". At 7:19 pm "PEGASUS" was on a new heading of 260 degrees. At 7:20 pm "WANDERLUST" tacked onto Port. At 7:21 pm "WANDERLUST" crossed ahead of "PEGASUS" by 6-7 Boat lengths. At 7:23 pm "PEGASUS" tacked onto Port. The finish was close.

Race Results:

Course White->Finish (port rounding)



	Finish	Corrected
1. WANDERLUST	7:24:06	0:55:50
2. PEGASUS	7:28:01	0:58:39
3. STARWIND	7:31:30	1:02:15

Note: Course path plot provided by Mark Berger on Pegasus.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28th FUN EVENT: HALLOWEEN PARTY and CHILI COOK-OFF at the Marina Pavilion Starting at 5:00 pm!

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Come in your favorite **scary Halloween outfit** and don't forget to bring your **most potent CHILI concoction**; there will be **prizes awarded for the winners in BOTH categories**. Bring your drinks of choice or bring a side-dish (if you're not bringing chili) and do not forget your favorite Antacid, you may need it. The Club will provide the chili bowls, plates and utensils with which to eat and some water & ice to ease the pain.

The ghosts will start flying at **5:00 PM on Sat., Oct. 28th**. Be ready to participate in the chili tasting plus the **50/50 drawing**. There will also be some **surprise entertainment** after dinner! **Please RSVP at shbc4fun@gmail.com** so we have an idea of how many people plan on attending. Also, we're asking 2 SHBC Members to step forward to be our **Hosts for this Party**. Lastly, if you would like to volunteer to **participate in the entertainment after dinner** contact: **Ellen Henderson @ (H) (727) 797-9380 - CALL ONLY & Leave a message or email: ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com**



2023 FLASH MOB DANCE - "LIZA MINELLI's NEW YORK, NEW YORK" @ SHBC Chili Cook Off and Halloween Party

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If you danced in HIGH SCHOOL, you can do this: Plan to participate in our **2023 FLASH MOB DANCE** @ our SHBC Chili **Cook Off/Potluck and Halloween Party**. The date is **Sat., Oct. 28** at the **SAFETY HARBOR MARINA PAVILION**. Our theme this year is "**LIZA MINELLI's NEW YORK, NEW YORK**". You can order the Movie either from your local library (FREE) or perhaps on Netflix. The easy dance that she did in the film, and we will be doing, is right before the end of the Movie. It's an easy, yet fun dance and promises to be a blast for this year's party.

Check out this "NEW YORK, NEW YORK" TUTORIAL video on YouTube:

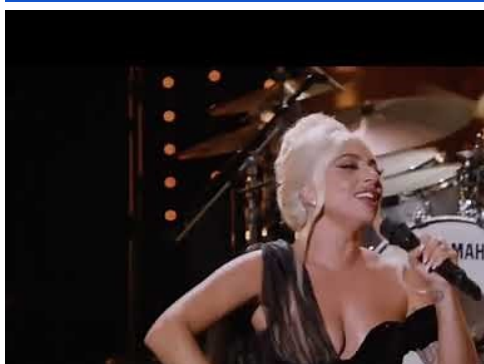
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= ddTfTSU9Sw>



"New York, New York" Dance Steps & Tutorial

Or Lady Gaga's rendition:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NybxfMzU -Y>



Lady Gaga - New York (Live at Westfield)

We'll start rehearsing in early October. Please let me know, so that we can count on your participation on Oct. 28, 2022. Contact **ELLEN HENDERSON** via **Land Line Phone @ (727) 797-9380** or via email @ ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com

See the U-TUBE link below from the previous 2015 FLASH MOB DANCE, in which we did Michael Jackson's THRILLER. At our Previous Chili Cook Off and Halloween Party, we were all entertained by our own Safety Harbor Boat Club Thriller Dance performers. Great performance by some of our members. Thanks, Linda Brandt for taking the video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RdH2wQh2gcE>

UPCOMING FREE - "JAZZ ON THE WATERFRONT" - FRI. OCT. 27

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; Pix - Internet + Archives

Join us for another **FREE "JAZZ ON THE WATERFRONT" - FRI. OCT. 27 @ 6:30 PM** (to get a good seat) behind the Safety Harbor Spa at [Safety Harbor Waterfront Park](#)
110 Veterans Memorial Ln



We'll be there by 6:00 pm to cordon off an area up front and you'll see our **SHBC Club BANNER** attached to the lawn chairs. Bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets. This event is dog friendly!

The Jazz Concert is on **FRI. OCT. 27** and will take place on the waterfront property behind the Safety Harbor Spa. There will be vendors selling food and libations or you can bring your own dinner and wine to share to help make this evening memorable. Last year many SHBC Members joined us, as this is always a fun event.

This year's main event is featuring **Voices of Jazz**, who will specialize in classic big band era jazz, swing and modern arrangements. The **Safety Harbor Library Foundation** will pass the hat to help fund the building of the future second floor expansion of our wonderful Library, where we hold all of our SHBC Club meetings. So, bring an extra buck to two to contribute. **Any questions: email ELLEN HENDERSON @ ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com** or call (H) (727) 797-9380 & leave a message. **SEE YOU THERE!**



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